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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS - PROCUREMENT OF VIDEO EQUIPMENT

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1. FOLLOWING REPLIES KEYED TO QUESTIONS REFTEL:

(A) ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE (AG) NOW HAS PERSONNEL  
CAPABLE OF USING EQUIPMENT.

(B) ROUTINE MAINTENANCE/REPAIR WELL WITHIN CURRENT CAPA-  
BILITIES OF AG'S TELECOMMUNICATIONS SECTION. ESOTERIC  
REPAIRS CAN BE EFFECTED BY COMMERCIAL FIRMS IN MEXICO.

(C) NOT APPLICABLE IN VIEW SUBPARA (A).

(D) NOT APPLICABLE IN VIEW SUBPARA (B).

(E) MANY SPARE PARTS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE IN TELECOM-  
MUNICATIONS INVENTORY; SPECIALIZED PARTS READILY AVAIL-  
ABLE LOCALLY OR BY ORDER FROM U.S. SUPPLIERS.

(F) PRIMARY PURPOSE OF EQUIPMENT IS FOR TELECOMMUNICA-  
TIONS, AVIATION OPERATIONS, AND AVIATION MAINTENANCE  
TRAINING. THERE ARE THUS FAR NO PLANS TO EXTEND EQUIP-  
MENT USAGE TO ENFORCEMENT TRAINING AS WE AND AG EXPECT  
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THAT PRIMARY PURPOSE WILL FULLY UTILIZE EQUIPMENT.

(G) AVIATION MAINTENANCE IS ONLY ONE OF THREE MAJOR END-  
USERS OF INTENDED EQUIPMENT. SINCE RECOMMENDATION TO  
DEVELOP TRAINING FACILITY PREDATED ADVENT OF E-SYSTEMS,  
AND TO AVOID DISTRACTING E-SYSTEMS DURING ITS PHASE-IN,  
WE ELECTED TO PROVIDE EQUIPMENT THROUGH GSA. DEPARTMENT

WILL NOTE THAT VIDEO TAPES REQUESTED ALL CONCERN TELE-COMMUNICATIONS AND AVIONICS EQUIPMENT CURRENTLY IN AG INVENTORY. SELECTION OF AVIATION OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE VIDEO TAPES WILL BE COORDINATED WITH E-SYSTEMS. HOWEVER, ESTABLISHMENT OF FACILITY AND USAGE FOR TELE-COMMUNICATIONS PURPOSES NEED NOT BE DELAYED. BASIC FACILITY AND EQUIPMENT CAN BE USED BY ALL WHEN READY.

2. WILL ASSUME DEPARTMENT PROCEEDING WITH PROCUREMENT UNLESS ADVISED TO CONTRARY. LUCEY

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